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Honorable William Casey Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D.C. 20505



Dear Bill:

I am pleased to enclose a copy of the 1985 U.S. INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK. This volume contains data, analyses, and projections to 1989 for more than 350 industries, ranging from heavy manufacturing to retail trade. The projections indicate continued broadbased growth in 1985. Real increases in shipments (measured in inflation-adjusted dollars) are forecast for 85 percent of the 209 manufacturing industries covered.

Two areas of particular interest are services and high-technology industries. Services now account for roughly two-thirds of U.S. GNP. Based on our analysis, major service sectors should continue to experience the steady growth trends we have seen since 1960. Emerging high-technology industries, such as ceramics, biotechnology, robotics, and computer-aided design and manufacturing, are included for the first time. Historically, growth leaders have been predominantly in high-tech industries. Published annually, the U.S. INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK is a basic reference for private sector analysts, business planners, academic researchers, and government officials. I hope you find this book useful.

Sincerely,

Secretary of Commerce

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